

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1 and 3-6 in accordance with the following:

1. (currently amended) A server for performing a predetermined process in response to requests from a plurality of users, the server comprising:
group specifying means for specifying, in the case of a predetermined user having logged in, a group to which the user belongs;
using environment specifying means for specifying a using environment corresponding to ~~a the~~ group specified by the group specifying means; ~~and~~
using environment setting means for setting an environment which conforms to ~~a the~~ using environment specified by the using environment specifying means; ~~and~~
creating databases according to groups and designating one of the databases which an application program uses.
2. (original) The server according to claim 1, wherein the group comprises one or more users.
3. (currently amended) The server according to claim 1, ~~further comprising~~ wherein the data bases ~~databases are~~ divided physically or logically according to the groups, ~~wherein and~~ the using environment setting means sets ~~a data base~~ one of the databases corresponding to a the group specified by the group specifying means.
4. (currently amended) The server according to claim 1, wherein the group specifying means ~~includes comprises~~ a table which associates user information regarding each user with ~~a the~~ group to which each user belongs and specifies the appropriate group by referring to the user information, which the user entered when the user logged in, and the table.
5. (currently amended) The server according to claim 1, further comprising:

processing means for performing a process corresponding to a request from a the user, wherein the processing means performs a process in an the environment for each group set by the using environment setting means.

6. (currently amended) A computer-readable record medium recording a computer program for realizing the functions of a server for performing a predetermined process in response to requests from a plurality of groups, the program comprising the functions of:

group specifying means for specifying, in the case of a predetermined user having logged in, a group to which the user belongs;

using environment specifying means for specifying a using environment corresponding to a the group specified by the group specifying means; and

using environment setting means for setting an environment which conforms to a the using environment specified by the using environment specifying means; and

creating databases according to groups and designating one of the databases which an application program uses.